

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

FIRST NIAGARA INSURANCE BROKERS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

Civil No. 07-CIV-8720

- against -

FIRST NIAGARA FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.,

Defendant.

RULE 7.1 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1 (formerly Local General Rule 1.9) and to enable Judges and Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, the undersigned counsel for Defendant First Niagara Financial Group, Inc. certifies that it has no parent corporation and that there is no publicly held corporation that owns 10% or more of its stock.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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